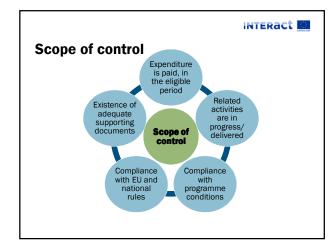


Different controls by different bodies - Controller - Lead beneficiary - Internal control (within Lead beneficiary) - J\$ / MA - Certifying Authority - Audit Authority

Management verifications Control is often seen as a bottleneck: • Quality and reliability of control vs. time and resources • Some areas of control require specific expertise - State Aid - Public Procurement



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Controller of the Lead Partner

Duties of the Lead Partner:

- Expenditure by each project partner has been incurred for the purpose of the project implementation and corresponds to the activities agreed in the partnership
- Expenditure by each project partner has been validated by their controllers
- Lead Partner forwards shares of the funds to the project partners without unnecessary delays and in full

Controllers of Lead Partners must verify that the Lead Partner complies with the above obligations.

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Control of SCOs

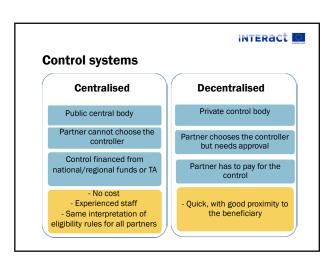
No need to check original invoices, documents of equivalent probative value, payment proofs.

Control of flat rates:

- Costs have been correctly allocated to a given category
- There is ${f no}$ double declaration of the same cost item
- The flat rate has been correctly applied
- The **amount** charged based on flat rate has been proportionally adjusted if the value of the category of costs to which it was applied has been modified

Types of control checks Administrative verifications (desk-based) can be performed at the controller's own premises sampling of items is possible On-the-spot verifications performed at the premises of the partner or other project-related site on a sample basis delivery of products/services, physical progress, EU publicity rules

Timing Expenditure of a partner shall be verified within a period of three months. On-the-spot verifications: • planned in advance/ notification given • undertaken when the project/ activity is well under way • not recommended for when the project/ activity has been completed • driven by the nature of the project, amount of public support and risk level



Documenting controls

- Control certificate, report, checklist
 For Interreg: HIT checklist developed by Interact is recommended
- Photos of deliverables, copies of promotional material, etc. can be used for verifying publicity requirements



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